

IN THE CLAIMS:

A complete listing of all claims pending, amended and cancelled is included as follows:

1. (currently amended) A digital information input system comprising:

an electronic information terminal device for inputting code information regarding a search targeted article and for sending data including the code information, the data comprising a telephonic code having at least one encoded symbol, the at least one encoded symbol causing the device to differentiate a dialed telephone number from data; and

a server for returning, to the digital information terminal device, digital information corresponding to the telephonic code information based on the data transmitted from the electronic information terminal device;

wherein the electronic information terminal device sends the data including the code information regarding the search targeted article ~~or the like~~ and allows use of the digital information transmitted from the server after the telephonic code information regarding the search targeted article ~~and the like~~ is inputted.

2. (canceled) The digital information input system according to claim 1, wherein the electronic information terminal device has an infrared reading portion and serves a portable information terminal device for inputting and reading the code information via the infrared reading portion.

3. (currently amended) A digital information input system comprising:

an electronic information terminal device capable of sending data including a search targeted phone number data code and at least one encoded symbol; and

a server for returning, to the digital information terminal device, a digital information corresponding to the search targeted phone number data code included in the data transmitted from the electronic information terminal device;

wherein the electronic information terminal device sends the data including the phone number data code regarding the search targeted article ~~or the like~~ and enables use of the digital information sent from the server.

4. (original) The digital information input system according to claim 3, wherein the electronic information terminal device is a portable information terminal device capable of entering dial numbers.

5. (currently amended) The digital information input system according to claim 1, wherein the electronic information terminal device has at least one of the following functions:

displaying and saving the digital information returned from the server as a file ~~such as an image file or a text file~~;

playing and saving the digital information as a file ~~such as a sound file~~; or

providing information on an electronic information web by using a link of the digital information.

6. (original) The digital information input system according to claim 1, wherein the digital information includes URL.

7. (currently amended) A digital information input system applying digital information to an article ~~or the like~~ by using only a readable transparent ink, wherein the transparent ink is read by a transparent ink reading device loaded or connected to an electronic information terminal device for reading digital information in a form of the transparent ink so as to obtain information regarding the article ~~or the like~~ and transmitting the information back to the digital information input system.

8. (original) The digital information input system according to claim 7, wherein the transparent ink is an ion ink or an infrared absorbing ink.

9. (currently amended) The digital information input system according to claim ~~8~~3, wherein the electronic information terminal device has at least one of the following functions:

displaying and saving the digital information returned from the server as a file ~~such as an image file or a text file;~~

playing and saving the digital information as a file ~~such as a sound file;~~ or

providing information on an electronic information web by using a link of the digital information.

10. (currently amended) The digital information input system according to claim ~~8~~3, wherein the digital information includes URL.

11. (newly presented) The digital information input system according to claim 1, wherein the toll fee for telephonic data communication is paid by the information provider based on the access data requested.